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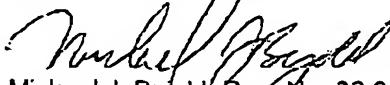
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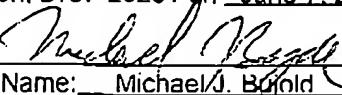
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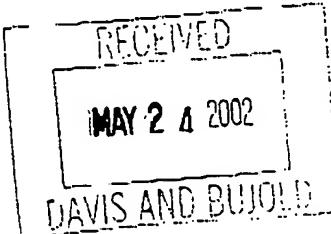


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## Title

Interactive system for remote reading of utility meters

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(Original, Design, National Stage of PCT, Supplemental)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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## TITLE OF INVENTION

Interactive System for Remote Reading of Utility Meters

## SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

The specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c))

(a)  is attached hereto.  
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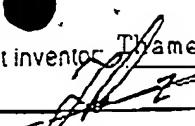
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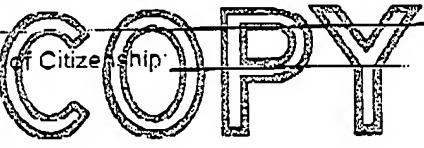
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